CONGRESSMAN MEEKER DIES

On Learning His End Was Near at Midnight, He Married His Pri-vate Secretary. (Hy Associated Pres.)

from his first wife, and leaves four children.

He was born'in Fountain, Ind., in 1878; attended school in Florida, and was graduated from Union Christian College in Mermon, Ind., in 1900.

SAVED MUCH "TNT" Department Recognizes Airmen During Great Muni-tion Conflagration.

tion Conflagration.

[By Associated Press.]

WASHINGTON, October 16.—Eight million pounds of "TNT" were saved from destruction during the recent fire at the Gillespie Shell-Loading Plant, at Morgan, N. J., by an army airplane, which flew over the wrecked works at an altitude of 1,000 feet and directed the fight against the flames. The War Department announced the feat to-day, disclosing that the plane was piloted by Lieutenant Cyrus F. Smythe, with Major H. L. Armstrong, as observer.

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WAR HAS ABOLISHED SHOULDER-STRAP SNOB

Actual Service Conditions Have Gone Far to Improve British Officer.

OLD PREJUDICES FORGOTTEN

Life-and-Death Struggle Against Greatest Menace World Has Ever Known Has Broken Down Petty Distinctions of Class.

BY H. M. FORBES. LONDON, Octobbr 17.-To observe that there is nothing the war has not affected is merely to voice a piatitude, but that among the people whom the war has much improved is the British officer no one who knows anything about the matter questions for a moment.

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The class distinction which in prewar days was so marked a characteristic of the officers' mess, had, after all, very little to say for liseif. It was there as a matter of fact that snobbery was more rampant than in any other professions, it is true, may have fostered a touch of that mest obnoxious of obnoxious tendencies.—even medicine and the church not being wholly immune from this unworthy trait,—but it was in the army first and foremost that snobbery was the order of the day. The "cracker" the corps, the more noticeable the airs affected by the mess, with the result that some regiments there were which regarded almost every other as their inferior.

On this ignoble state of affairs—the relic of a system which in other callings has long passed away,—the war has planted its iron heel. On the battle field men do not care what particular regiment their comrades-in-arms belong to. It is true, unfortunately, that even in the field there are eyet one or two regiments the officers of which still regard themselves as just a cut above their fellow mortals, but these are few and far between. The great bulk of officers regard themselves as nothing but infinitesimal units in a mighty organization out to, defeat the greatest menace the earth has ever known. Paltry class distinction they taboo. The stern necessities of war have proved to them all too clearly how hollow were the old prejudices which in pre-war days so often separated one corps from another.

AW WOUNDED GENERAL WITH HEAD IN CORPORAL'S LAP. WITH HEAD IN CORPORAL'S LAP. When amid the din of battle men actually beheld, as they did on the Marne for instance, a wounded general lying on the roadside, his head in a corporal's lap; officers and sergeants assisting each other arm-in-arm over turf slippery with blood; subalterns and lance-corporals herded together under the same dismal roofs; and overy man in a column, peasant and millionaire alike, partaking of the identically same food—the pre-war snobbery, at one time the bane of the service, received at that hour a blow from which never in its history will it rally again.

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Moreover, the knowledge that the humblest pack-carrier can—and often does—now rise to commissioned rank, has had a powerful effect in breaking down what was almost the cruellest class distinction existing. Compared with the officer of pre-war days, the officer of to-day has become human to quite a degree, yes,—an improvement in half a hundred ways to the Man Who Was.—Copyright 1918.

The Weather

(Furnished by U. S. Weather Bureau, (Federal Summer Time Used.)



Forcenst: Virginia -Fair Thursday and Friday, not much change in tempera-

North Carolla Pair Thursday and probably Friday.

Local Temperature Yesterday. Maximum temperature to 8 P. M...
Minimum temperature to 8 P. M...
Mean temperature yesterday...
Normal temperature for this date.
Excess yesterday
Deficiency since March 1...
Deficiency since January 1...

Local Rainfall.

Local Observations at S.P. M. Temperature, 70: humidity, 38; wind, direction, south; wind, velocity, 8 miles; weather, clear.

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FINDS MANY CRIPPLES IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES

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Rubber Tires Cannot Be Found, Automobiles Operating on Iron Ones, With Springs Fixed Between Rims to Easo Jolt.

BY ALFRED G. ANDERSON.

(Courright, 1918, by Star Company.)

On my first morning welk down Untersished me so much as the hundreds of young men in civilian clothes who outsished me so much as the hundreds of young men in civilian clothes who outsished me so much as the hundreds of young men in civilian clothes who outsished me so much as the hundreds of young men in civilian clothes who outsished me so much as the hundreds of young men in civilian clothes who outsished me so much as the hundreds of young men in civilian clothes who outsished me so much as the hundreds of young men in civilian clothes who outsished me so much as the hundreds with a husky young man rounding the corner at Friederichestrasses and Unter den Linden. He touched his hat and the last of the with a husky young man rounding the corner at Friederichestrasses and Unter den Linden. He touched his hat and the season of the case that I subjected all these young civilians to closer serutiny and I found that practically every one was a camouffaged cripple from the stored an outward appearance of objective and the race liself. The parlmutue system of betting the found piled chiefly between the bird downtown hotels and the railway stations. Not a rubber tire did I see on the entire lot. Every one had iron trims to case thus an adversage of the course of the fact the presence or everywhere.

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voted to raising rabbits, serve as tennis courts.

As I watched a game in one of the smaller west side streets, a foul but hit me on the leg. I picked up the ball and examined it before throwing it to its owner. It was made of a sy thetic rubber and bounded.

Athletic meets, bicycle races and marathons, I learned, are regular Sunday afternoon features. My neutral newspaper friend told me that at a recent athletic meet at the giant stadium most of the contests were by your soldies home on leave. All these amusements are fostered by the governmer Anything to take the public mind away from the carnage at the front

ST. LOUIS, MO. October 16.—Congressman Jacob E. Mecker died here this morning of Spanish influenza after his marriage at midnight last night to his private secretary.

Congressman Mecker, a Republican had served two terms in the House of Representatives. He was renominated in the August primary.

His marriage at midnight to Mrs. Alice Redmon, his secretary, followed at announcement by his physician that ne could not recover. He was divorced from his first wife, and leaves four children.

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men was saved.

The survivors were landed by a coast
guard cutter. The bow of the navy
vessel which collided with the freighter,
was reported to have been damaged.
The Port Philip was a vessel of 4,060
gross tons. She sank in about seventylive feet of water. The naval vessel
struck the freighter on the port quarter, as both ships were passing through
Ambrose Channel, ontward bound. A
great hole was stove in the Port
Philip's side, and she went down in
fiteen minutes.

The Port Philip carried a number of
depth bombs, which, fortunately, were
not disturbed by the shock of the explosion.

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fashion just then was to "turn" an old suit or dress.

Fy watching breast pockets on the streets and in cafes, I discovered by general the practice of old suits had become. Fully two-thirds of the breast pockets I saw in Berlin were on the right side of the coat.

During my visit summer sports were engaging Berlin. The Grunewald track was in full blast, particularly on the Sunday I was there. The parade of vehicles that passes Unter den Linden proceeded through the Brandeherger Tor and Tiergar'on out to Charlottenburg, and beyond, to the track.

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